

Southern California ELTAC By-Laws Workshop- July 31, 2015

Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego - 2375 Northside Dr #100, San Diego, CA 92108

9-11am

Record of Verbal Questions and Concerns

*Please note that all questions/concerns will be addressed at the conclusion of the 30 day comment period, which ends August 21, 2015 at 5:00PM, if not addressed here.

- Why is ELAP not certifying for the most updated methods? (General)
- Concern: ELAP does not certify for ~80% of methods being run in (this individual's) laboratory.
- Concern: ELAP needs to work more with permit writers to ensure that both parties are aware of one another's work.
- Why not ask for the committee to, "function as a means of exchanging information and opinions related to environmental laboratory technology, methods and practice" so that the program can stay current and relevant? (Article III)
- Suggestion: Have ELAP serve as an educational resource to permit writers in the future.
- Concern: Too much overlap between various representatives on the list and the fields of testing they would most likely have expertise in – feels voting may be skewed. (Article IV)
- Why not have a member from another accrediting body on the committee to give an unbiased 3rd party view of items being discussed during ELTAC meetings? (Article IV)
- Suggestion: Strike lab size language – most small laboratories are municipal, most large ones are commercial. Perhaps make it specific so that small commercial laboratories have representation too. (Article IV)
- Suggestion: Add language so that ELAP has to provide a reasonable explanation if a recommendation is denied. (Article VI)